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PRESIDENTIAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS -- BLM's Presidential Volunteer Action Award winners Jack Glover of Roseburg, Oregon, and Penney and Wilford Allen of the Fraternity of the Desert Bighorn, Henderson, Nevada, were honored at the White House June 30th. President Reagan presented the awards to the three BLM volunteers and 16 other recipients after a luncheon in the East Room of the Executive Mansion. Earlier that day Director Burford, Deputy Director O'Neal, members of the Washington Office Recreation and Wildlife staffs, and the Assistant Directors joined Nevada State Director Ed Spang, Ely District Biologist Rita Suminski and Roseburg District Manager Melvin Berg at a coffee for the three BLM volunteers.

MICHIGAN RECEIVES FORTY ISLANDS FROM THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT -- Forty islands which offer unique water-oriented recreational potential for Michigan were deeded to the Michigan State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) by way of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. Curt Jones, Director of BLM's Eastern States Office presented the deeds to DNR Director Gordon E. Guyer. The islands range from one-tenth of an acre to two-and-a-half acres in size. The DNR and the BLM are currently negotiating for an additional transfer of 486 parcels of land (469 islands and 17 upland tracts) that could also be incorporated in the Department's recreational island concept.

CONSTITUTIONAL BICENTENNIAL -- The Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution has issued an "interim letter of encouragement" for BLM's project to automate and preserve the historical lands records archived at the Eastern States Office in Alexandria, Virginia. Once the project is funded by the Congress, the Commission will consider granting full recognition and authorization to use the official National Bicentennial Logo.

BLM EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATE IN RANGE CAMP -- Twenty high school students from Wyoming spent the week of June 14 learning about range management during the Wyoming Range Youth Camp at the Circle J Ranch near Ten Sleep. The Youth Camp is an annual event sponsored by the Wyoming Section of the Society for Range Management, with assistance from the Bureau of Land Management and other agencies. The students receive intensive instruction in soils, geology, botany, forestry, wildlife management, range management, and leadership skills as part of their week at the camp. Worland District Range Conservationist Gary Blincow is an organizer of the camp each year, as well as an instructor. Several other Worland District employees served as instructors and judges for the range plant and range site identification contest.



ARIZONA STRIP DISTRICT HELD PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE IN NEW OFFICE -- Arizona Strip District Manager G. William Lamb invited the public to a July 1st open house at the new district office in St. George, Utah. The open house activities included videos and slide show presentations. District employees had worked in the Federal Building for almost 20 years before moving to the new location. The move brings the district staff, fire equipment and dispatch center together under one roof. The Shivwits Resource Area and the Vermillion Resource Area are co-located with Utah's Dixie Resource Area at 225 North Bluff Street, St. George, Utah.

BUREAUWIDE PHOTO CONTEST FOR 1987 -- This is the last call for entries in this years' photo contest which is nearing a close. Remember all entries must be in the Washington Office by close of business August 3, 1987. Any questions should be directed to Mae Bowman at FTS 343-4706. Good luck to you all.

BLM DIRECTOR INTERVIEWED ABOUT "MINI-COWS" -- Director Robert Burford was interviewed July 7 by Bob Anderson of CBS Evening News concerning miniature cattle being genetically developed in Mexico and the possible future impact of this breed on public land forage.

BLM IN UTAH AUTHORIZE GAS PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY -- Cedar City, Utah District signed a right-of-way on behalf of the Fish Lake National Forest and BLM's Richfield and Cedar City districts, authorizing Mountain Fuel Supply Company's 207-mile natural gas pipeline that will provide the first natural gas to 32 communities in central and southwestern Utah. Construction of the pipeline across private lands is already well under way and construction on public lands began the first week of July.

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JULY 13-17	Reno, NV.....	Bureauwide IRM/TAC Meeting
JULY 15-16.	Albuquerque,NM.....	State Director Larry Woodward will attend the 1st day of the 2nd Annual EEO Awareness Seminar
JULY 27....	Albuquerque,NM.....	State Director Larry Woodward will attend the Distinguished Public Service Awards Banquet
JULY 11-12.	Terrill, TX.....	Wild Horse Adoption at the Jay Palmer Arena
JULY 24....	Bismarck, ND.....	Director Burford will speak at the National Cattlemen's Association

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